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Co-Lin out front...

by Dr. Howell C. Garner

On February 6, 1997, the Board of Trustees did me the honor of appointing me to become the next president of Copiah-Lincoln Community College. The Board's confidence in me is greatly appreciated, and, indeed, it will be a special honor to serve this institution as its president beginning on July 1, 1997. It is particularly humbling to follow Dr. Billy B. Thames, who has served as president since January 20, 1968. Our hats are off to Dr. Billy B. Thames for his ability to stay current and active and enthusiastic on a daily basis after so many years of carrying out the responsibilities of that office.

As I prepare to accept the challenge of the presidency, I am extremely excited about the future of Co-Lin. I am pleased that we were able to promote and transfer several Co-Lin people to new positions of leadership that are so important to the college. That allowed me to carry out the wishes of the Board of Trustees to bring about a period of smooth transition and planning for the college. I am excited about the abilities of the entire administrative leadership that will be working with me to continue the tradition of excellence for which this institution has been proud for many years.

Dr. Howell Garner, President

I am also excited about the level of instructional quality that is already in place at Co-Lin. Make no mistake about it, Co-Lin is seen by other community colleges in Mississippi and elsewhere as a leader in instructional program quality. The most important aspect of the college mission is to provide an instructional program with the highest level of integrity. Our classroom instructors are highly qualified and have a sincere interest in teaching students, and they are concerned about each student's progress in their classes. That level of teacher preparedness, coupled with the personal attention, keeps our instructional program out front! The student is the most important person on campus, and meeting his/her needs is the reason we are here. An important goal of the administrative team will be to support the instructional program integrity of the college.

The professional staff at Co-Lin provide the support necessary for administrators to do their jobs effectively and for teachers to do an outstanding job in the classroom environment. We all enjoy the support provided by the various professional staff personnel at Co-Lin. Our list of accomplishments through their work is long indeed—from career services, to campus beautification, to

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The Place to Be

CO LIN

October 25

Homecoming plans set

Plans for homecoming on Copiah-Lincoln Community College's Wesson campus set for Saturday, October 25, were made recently by the alumni association's board of directors.

"Co-Lin.... The Place Where Learning Never Ends" was the choice of the 1997 homecoming theme.

A new event this year will be a tailgate party, beginning at 11 a.m. for younger alumni and those not attending the luncheon, on the practice football field, announces Bradley Smith of Wesson, alumni president.

Registration will begin on homecoming morning at 9 in the R. E. "Bob" Anderson Building.

The annual meeting of the athletic alumni association will begin in the R.E. Rea Auditorium at 9:45 a.m. Inductees into the Athletic Hall of Fame will be presented during the meeting.

The alumni luncheon at 11:15 a.m., in the W.S. Henley Student Center cafeteria will honor the Foundation Hall of Fame inductees, the Alumnus of the Year, and the Outstanding Instructors and Staff Member of the Year.

The tailgate party begins at 11 a.m.

Reunions for the Classes of the 7's — 1937, 1947, 1957, 1967, 1977, and 1987 — probably with others to be added, will begin at 1 p.m.

The GOLD (Graduates of the Last Decade) Club will be in the Henley Student Center at 1 p.m.

Pre-game ceremonies, to include the presentation of the homecoming court and the crowning of the queen, will begin at 2:40 p.m.

The Co-Lin Wolves will meet the Gulf Coast Bulldogs at 3 p.m. in Stone Stadium.

Various reports were given on the chapel project; membership drive and annual drive, by Burlian Walker, executive director of the foundation, alumni affairs, and public relations and by Maudell A. Weeks, associate alumni director; on the MCJC Inter-Alumni Association by state president Bobby Britt of Brookhaven and at large alumni board member; on the Athletic Alumni Association by Alton Greenlee of Wesson, president.

Board members voted to establish the Co-Lin Blue Ribbon Awards and the Outstanding Staff Member of the Year.

Others attending were Dr. Billy Thames, Co-Lin president, who gave the welcome; Dr. Howell C. Garner, dean of the college, who gave the invocation; Dr. Kenneth Walley, Jackson; Danny Moseley of Magee, alumni vice-president; Martha Salters of Natchez; Wiley Ainsworth of Magee; Barry Tyson, Bude; Tim Walden, Brandon; Ray Ishee, dean of student personnel; and Jane A. Smith of Brookhaven.

Chapel plans projects

by Ann Hawkins

With nearly half the revised goal amount raised so far, the Co-Lin Chapel is closer than ever to being a reality. Of the $400,000 goal, approximately $180,000 has been raised to date.

"The auction held last fall was a real boost to the project," said Tillmon Bishop, chapel committee chairman of Brookhaven.

The auction, held Nov. 9, brought in over $7,000 for the cause.

Another recent fund-raising event was conducted for the chapel by Co-Lin students. Members of the Alpha Omega Honorary Science Fraternity sold chances on an antique microscope.

Students sold over $1,000 worth of chances to district supporters and friends. The microscope was donated by Dr. Phyllis Lanier, chairperson of the Co-Lin science division.

"We like to involve students whenever possible," said Bishop. "It adds another dimension to the fund-raising process as well as preparing these students to be good donors when they complete their educational process."

Additional projects which have focused on the chapel recently include a phonathon by student Phi Theta Kappa members and a "Chapel Church Sunday."

Phi Theta Kappa members manned the phone in order to gain pledges from alumni and friends. This year's event has been scheduled for November 3-6.

Money continues to come in from the "Chapel Church Sunday." The event, held in October, was designated for this purpose and many churches took up a special offering. Other churches sent a contribution from their general fund.

"Each one of these efforts brings us closer to our goal," said Bishop.

Plans are to break ground as soon as the necessary money has been collected. "Hopefully this will take place this fall, possibly in time for homecoming," added Bishop.

Bishop continued by saying that current negotiations with a major donor could bring this dream closer to a reality for Co-Lin.

Contributions may be mailed to the Co-Lin Foundation, P.O. Box 649, Wesson, MS, 39191. For more information, contact Ann Hawkins, executive foundation director at (601) 643-8332.

Co-Lin Out Front

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office support, etc. We all appreciate their work, many times behind the scenes, to make Co-Lin the place to be. It has been through the combined efforts of us all that Co-Lin has been out front. It will be that same synergy of all working together that keeps us there. I look forward to working with the Co-Lin family as we continue to move forward and meet the challenges of a new day and new era. I'm excited about this college meeting those challenges!

HOMECOMING 1997

October 25

8:30 a.m. **Registration begins** . . . . . Anderson Building

9:45 a.m. **Athletic Alumni Association** . . . . . Rea Auditorium
- Induction of 1997 Athletic Hall of Fame
- Selection of officers

11:00 a.m. **Tailgate Party** . . . . . Practice football field
- Younger alumni

11:15 a.m. **Alumni Luncheon** . . . . . Henley Student Center Cafeteria
- Induction of Foundation Hall of Fame
- Presentation of Alumnus of Year, Outstanding Instructors of the Year, and Outstanding Staff Member of the Year
- Introduction of Athletic Hall of Fame and Homecoming Court
- Election of officers

1 p.m. **Reunions** . . . . . **Various locations Henley and Anderson Buildings**
- Classes of 1937, 1947, 1957, 1967, 1977, and 1987

1 p.m. **GOLD Club** . . . . . Henley Building

2:40 p.m. **Pre-game ceremonies** . . . . . Stone Stadium

3 p.m. **Football Game**
- Co-Lin Wolves and Gulf Coast

Garner becomes president

Dr. Howell C. Garner was elected president of the Copiah-Lincoln Community College District by the college's Board of Trustees during its executive session on February 6.

Dr. Garner, who has served as dean of the college since 1985, succeeded Dr. Billy B. Thames who announced his resignation that night. Dr. Thames retired on June 30 after 29 and a half years as Co-Lin president.

Dr. Garner has been affiliated with Copiah-Lincoln for 23 years, having joined the Natchez campus staff as administrative assistant/assistant dean, and dean before moving to the Wesson campus as dean of the college in 1985.

His other work experience includes as a high school social studies teacher, a business law/political science instructor on the community college level, an adjunct instructor in educational leadership at the University of Southern Mississippi and an adjunct instructor in the Academy of Excellence at Mississippi State University. He has conducted numerous workshops, presentations, and seminars.

He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Mississippi State University, earned 40 hours at the University of Mississippi School of Law, received a master's degree in 1974 in educational administration and a doctorate in 1981 in educational administration, both from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Dr. Garner was a member of "Project 95" as a member of a subcommittee on college admissions standards from 1989-1991; on the ECS Teacher Education Steering Committee in 1990-91; member of the statewide delegation to the National Teacher Education Conference in Baltimore, Md., in Feb. 1990; member of the Mississippi Deans Association since 1980 and having served as president in 1987-88; member of statewide articulation committee since 1987 and chairman since 1991; member of the public Education Forum of the Mississippi Curriculum Committee from 1993 to 1995; the Governor's appointee to the State Postsecondary Review Entity (SPRE) Task Force in 1993-94; on a task force to develop the Industrial Trainer Program for USM and Community Colleges in 1995-96; a charter member of the Natchez Area Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa since 1981; and a member of the Community College Network (CCN) Task Force and current chairman of the curriculum committee.

Dr. Garner was selected to Who's Who in American Education in 1988-89, as an honorary member of Phi Theta Kappa since 1989, and he received the Master Teacher Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development in 1989 and 1995.

Dr. Howell C. Garner

Further he has been active in the Lions Club both in Natchez, Wesson, and state and national levels.

He was a member of the Natchez Lions Club from 1976 to 1985 where he served as secretary, vice-president, and bulletin editor. He has been active in the Wesson Lions Club since 1985, having served as vice president in 1985-86, 100% president in 1988-89, bulletin editor since 1986, and he received the Master Key in 1993.

District Lions offices Dr. Garner has held include zone chairman in 1984-85, district leadership development chair in 1985-87, and 100% district governor in 1987-88. Further he served as state membership chair from 1988 to 1991, and as state leadership development chair from 1991 to 1994 and from 1995 to the present.

On an Lions International level Dr. Garner was named a Melvin Jones Fellow in 1988, was presented the Lions International Membership Award in 1989, the Lions International President's Certificate of Appreciation in 1992, and the Lions International President's Leadership Award in 1991 and 1996.

He is also an annual sustaining (Century) member of Boys Scouts of America.

Dr. Garner is a certified instructor to teach First Aid and Safety, CPR, and CPR for the Professional through the American Red Cross.

In addition, Dr. Garner has been an active member of the Wesson Chamber of Commerce since its inception in 1989. He served as vice president of the chamber in 1990, as president in 1991, and as a board member since 1996 with the term ending in 1999. Since 1993 he has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Copiah County Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Garner has been active in the Copiah Competitive Community Leadership Program, having served as vice-chairman of the founding group, as program committee chairman for the founding group and in the leadership Class of 1993.

Dr. Garner is a Baptist and was ordained a deacon in October, 1982. He served as chairman of the deacons from 1984-85 and from 1988-89.

A native of Eupora where he graduated from high school, Dr. Garner and his wife, Candance, who teaches special education at Wesson Elementary School, are parents of two sons. Brad, 22, is a student at Mississippi State University in landscape architecture and a graduate of Co-Lin where he was named to the college's Hall of Fame. Justin, 19, is a sophomore at Co-Lin, majoring in environmental engineering.

Thames retires after 29½

Dr. Billy B. Thames, president of Copiah-Lincoln Community College for the past 29 years, announced his retirement, effective June 30, to the college's Board of Trustees at its regular meeting on Thursday, Feb. 6.

The board accepted his announcement with regrets and appreciation for his leadership over the years.

On January 20, 1968, Dr. Billy B. Thames came to work at Copiah-Lincoln Community College as president of the college. The young 34-year-old president would go on to serve longer than any of the previous three presidents and an acting president.

Progress is the word to best describe Dr. Billy Thames.

Upon becoming president, he would launch a building program over the next few years; launch a campaign that would triple the enrollment over the years; launch new programs that were beneficial to the college district; and launch or expand new services to citizens of the district, composed of Adams, Copiah, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln and Simpson Counties.

Dr. Thames would meet with officials in Adams County to establish a second campus of Copiah-Lincoln Community College. In 1972 the Natchez Campus opened, today serving more than 1500 students annually. The recently completed $4.6 million Natchez Campus on Beitline Road brought together the Vocational-Technical Program with the academic program on the same campus. A modern Vo-Tech Building opened on the Natchez Campus in 1988.

Dr. Billy Thames was born in Monticello in Lawrence County, the son of the late James C. and Neva Bass Thames and one of four children.

He is a 1952 graduate of Monticello High School; a 1954 graduate of Copiah-Lincoln Community College, where he was selected to the very first Hall of Fame; a 1958 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, after having served two years in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956.

Dr. Thames would go on to receive a master of science degree from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1959 and a doctorate degree in 1974. He would continue to complete additional work at Mississippi College, Mississippi State University, and the University of Mississippi.

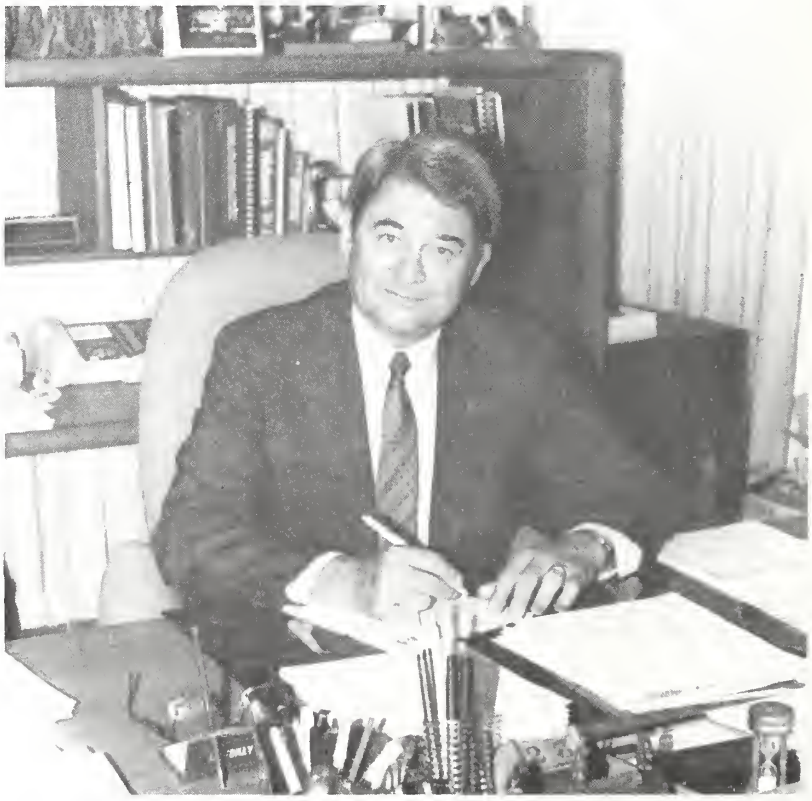
Dr. Thames began his career with the Jackson Public Schools at Chastain Junior High from 1959 to 1964 as a coach, teacher, and counselor; as principal at McAdams Attendance Center from 1964-1965; as director of admissions at Belhaven College from 1965 to 1968.

Dr. Thames is currently among the five longest serving presidents with over 25 years in the nation, a recognition presented at last year's American Community College Association's annual meeting. Dr. Thames began his 30th year as president of Co-Lin in January, 1997. He is the first alumnus chosen as president of the college.

Throughout the years he has received other notable honors, including being recognized by Mississippi College in 1975-1976 for its Service to Humanity Award; selected as one of eight Most Distinguished Alumnus in the United States by Phi Theta Kappa in 1975; Copiah-Lincoln's first-ever Alumnus of the Year in 1970; and recognized by Lawrence County for Betterment of Life in Lawrence County in 1975. In December 1996 he was honored with the Hope Award at a Dinner of Champions given by the Multiple Sclerosis Society and the prestigious Service Award presented by the Mississippi Humanities Council.

Dr. Billy Thames has been a leader in the state during his tenure as president of Copiah-Lincoln.

He has served as president of the Wesson Lions Club three terms; as past District; Governor, District 30-I Lions Club; past chairman of Lions Council of Governors, District 30; past chairman of White Canes for Lions; and past president and treasurer of Lions Sight Foundation.



Dr. Billy B. Thames

years as Co-Lin president

Further Dr. Thames is an active member of the Brookhaven-Lincoln County and the Copiah County Chambers of Commerce. He is a past president of the Wesson Chamber of Commerce and the Copiah County Chamber.

He served as chairman of the Mississippi Humanities Council for a two-year term after having served on the council for a number of years.

He is a past chairman of the Copiah Competitive Leadership Project and is a member of the Governor's Task Force of Accreditation and the Executive Management Institute. He is a former member of the Private Industry Council.

In addition, Dr. Thames is a former president of the Mississippi Association of Colleges and the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges, where he has served on various committee chairmanships and committees throughout the years.

Currently he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Association of School Administrators and chairman of the Millennium Workforce Group. He is a member of the Mississippi Community College Foundation.

Dr. Thames is a member, deacon, and trustee of Wesson Baptist Church. He is superintendent of the Adult Sunday School Department; a past member of the Education Commission of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, and a past member of the Baptist Record Advisory Committee

At Co-Lin Dr. Thames has been responsible for the expansion of the college's alumni association and the establishment of the college's foundation office with the addition of nearly 100 scholarships and an active fund-raising group. He has established the division of student services; the expansion of the vocational-technical division to include numerous new programs on both campuses; the One Stop Career Center; the Learning Center which has been a model for other such facilities across the nation; expansion of library facilities and services; established math and reading labs; and expansion of computer programs. The Associate Degree in Nursing program has attracted hundreds of applicants.

The list of expansions and the addition of new programs could go on and on.

During Dr. Thames' presidency, buildings have gone up all over the Wesson campus. Constructed during the years have been the Willie H. Smith Building, The W.S. Henley Student Union Building, the Maggie Flowers Ewing Fine Arts Building, the Noah Wallace Building, Lula Stevens Hall and Annex, the Frank Pitts Field House, Walter R. Sullivan Field, "Chuckin"' Charlie Ward Football Practice Field, Otho Messer Vocational-Technical Building, Dwight Harris Transportation Center, Dan Watson Physical Plant Building, J.S. Youngblood Building, R.E. "Bob" Anderson Vocational Building, Franklin Hall and Simpson Hall, and the James H. Stribling Associate Degree Nursing Building.

Renovated during his tenure are the J.M. Ewing Administration Building and Rea Auditorium; the Gertrude Mutton Building; Smith Hall; Memorial Building with a wing added; Callender Hall; L. Russell Elizey Hall; Lincoln County Hall; Copiah County Hall; Graydon L. Mullen Gymnasium; Jessie Sandifer Communications Building; Josie Ellis Hall, and the J.J. Wesson Building. Present plans are for the renovation of the Ewing Fine Arts Building.

The construction of the first Co-Lin Golf Course of nine holes was built after Dr. Thames became president. This fall the new 18-hole Wolf Hollow Golf Course was completed and is now open.

Dr. Billy Thames has seen the college grow in every way possible – student-wise, faculty and staff wise, and physical-wise.

He has seen the college's athletic program expand, with the football and basketball programs gaining nationally recognition. Both programs have at times seen nationally-ranked and have participated in national tournaments. Today an inter collegiate program is offered in football, men's and women's basketball, women's softball, men's and women's tennis, track, and golf. A new soccer field has been constructed recently. Plans are to expand the field for softball.

The new bridge over the railroad tracks from Highway 51 to the campus has been a great accomplishment for Dr. Thames. Not only does the bridge provide a direct and safe entrance to the campus, but it also opened the Wesson campus to direct accessibility.

Dr. Thames has been one of the state's most progressive presidents. The college has achieved many "firsts" under his leadership. The audio-tutorial laboratory for biology students was the first of its kind on any college campus in the Southeastern University. The practical laboratory for business technology was also a first. WCLL-FM became the first non-commercial educational radio station on any college campus in 1970. The Senior AIDES Program became the only program of its kind in the entire nation on any college campus in 1972 and is only one of two on any college campus today. The Learning Center has been a leader, providing services for all students.

Dr. Billy Thames is married to the former Anne Allen of Monticello, a former teacher.

They are parents of three children, Mrs. Rachel Peeples, an instructor at Mississippi College who has completed her Ph.D. from Florida State; Rebecca Thames, a University of Southern Mississippi and University of Mississippi School of Law graduate, who is a special assistant in the Mississippi Attorney General's office; and William Thames, a Mississippi State University graduate, and an officer in the United States Navy, stationed at Meridian. They are grandparents of one granddaughter, Ashley Anne Peeples.

This year the Ewing Fine Arts Building was scheduled for renovation and the Alumni Association plans to complete a campaign to raise funds for the construction of a non-denominational chapel on the Wesson campus.

Foote, Spencer receive Wright awards

Mississippi writers Shelby Foote and Elizabeth Spencer have been named the 1997 Richard Wright Literary Excellence Award winners and accepted their medals at the Natchez Literary Celebration on May 31.

The announcement of this year's winners in fiction and non-fiction writing came from Dr. David G. Sansing, chairman of the nominating committee and former University of Mississippi history professor.

"The committee is delighted with our selections and equally thrilled that both Mr. Foote and Ms. Spencer joined us in Natchez for the conference," Sansing said.

"These are truly literary giants of their times whose works represent some of the best among Southern and even among all American writers," he said.

Foote, winning for his life's work in non-fiction, is best known for his monumental historical work, "The Civil War," three volumes written during a period of 20 years.

"Mr. Foote also has produced a fine body of fiction, but he became internationally acclaimed for his historical books after the 1991 PBS adaptation of the Civil War works," Sansing said.

Foote was born in Greenville in 1916. His writing career began during his student days at the University of North Carolina, where he contributed to the school's literary journal.

"Ms. Spencer, our fiction winner, has written many highly successful novels and collections of short stories," Sansing said. "Many of her fans remember especially 'The Light in the Piazza,' a 1960 novel which was made into a popular movie by the same name in 1962."

The Natchez Literary Celebration opened on May 29 and featured more than a dozen scholarly lecture on the theme, "Famous Southern Families in Fact and in Fiction."

The three-day conference, which also included a play, a film and two tours, offered opportunities for participants at the conference to purchase books written by the lecturers and to have them autographed, Sansing said.

The Celebration, in its eighth year, was sponsored by Copiah-Lincoln Community College, the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and the Natchez National Historical Park.

'The Family in the South': NLC theme

Southern families with their tried-and-true traditions may have an edge on other American clans when times get tough.

That's the view of Dr. William Ferris, whose lecture, "Belonging: The Family in the South, An Overview," introduced the 1997 Natchez Literary Celebration, May 29-31.

"Family has always been significant in the South," said Ferris, director of the Center for the Study of Southern Culture at the University of Mississippi.

Following the theme, "Famous Southern Families in Fact and in Fiction," the Literary Celebration hosted more than a dozen scholars whose topics ranged from aristocrats to rednecks and from philosophers to poets—real and fictional.

The eighth annual Celebration took place at The Natchez Eola Hotel. Cosponsors of the event are Copiah-Lincoln Community College, the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and the Natchez National Historical Park.

Speakers for the Celebration and there topics were:

• Dr. William Ferris, director of the Center for the Study of Southern Culture, University of Mississippi, "Belonging: The Family in the South, An Overview."

• Dr. Robert V. Remini, professor of history emeritus, University of Illinois, "Three Great Southern Families: The Jackson, the Donelsons, the Clays."

• Ellen Douglas, author, of Jackson, Miss., "Another Kind of Remembering: The Dunbars, the Hendersons, and the Surgets of Adams County, Mississippi."

• Dr. Marie Tyler-McGraw, historian, National Park Service, Washington, D.C., "Black and White Families at Arlington House, the Robert E. Lee Memorial Mansion."

• Dr. Noel Polk, professor of English, University of Southern Mississippi, "The Families of Eudora Welty's Fiction."

• Dr. Patrick Samway, literary editor, *America*, **New York City, "William Alexander Percy and Walker Percy: Writers of the South."**

• Dr. Glen Jeansonne, professor of history, University of Wisconsin, "The Lodge of Louisiana."

• Dr. Kenneth Holditch, professor of English emertus, University of New Orleans, "Aristocrats, Rebels, and Rednecks: Faulkner's Families in Fact and Fiction."

• Jason Buchtel, founder, Southern Film Institute, New Orleans, "Of Dining and Dynasties: The Families Behind Antoine's Commander's Palace, and Galatoire's Restaurants."

• Bethany Ewald Bultman, author, of New Orleans, "Redneck Heaven: The Admirable Sons of America."

• Will D. Campbell, author, Mount Juliet, Tenn., "Providence: Its Land and Its People."

• Kathleen McClain Jenkins, Natchez National Historical Park, "Next of Kin—the Turners, the Quitmans, the McMurrans, the Conners: An Intimate Glimpse into the Households of Four Historically Prominent Natchez Families."

• Clifton Taulbert, author and film producer, of Tulsa, Okla., and James A. Autry, poet and founder of the Des Moines National Poetry Festival, "Quilted Together: The Writer and the Poet Come Home to Mississippi."

Individual award winners at the recent Fourth Annual Foundation Golf Classic sponsored by the Copiah-Lincoln Community College Foundation, Inc., were, from left to right, Steve McBride, IKON Office Solutions of Brookhaven, longest putt; Cameron Smith, Honda of Brookhaven, longest drive; and Billy Crozier, Honda of Brookhaven, closest to the hole. (Photo by Tom Goetz, The Daily Leader)

Foundation Tourney

Three teams take top honors

Three corporate teams took top honors in the Fourth Annual Foundation Golf Classic sponsored by the Copiah-Lincoln Community College Foundation, Inc. at the Wolf Hollow Golf Club. In addition, the event raised over $10,000 for the ongoing work of the Foundation.

Valley Innovative Services of Jackson won the Corporate Team Trophy, an award which will become an annual quest. Innovative Food Service of Jackson was the low net team and Bank of Franklin of Meadville was the low gross team.

The Valley team consisted of Jim Walt, Elmer McInnis, John Pryor and George Ardelean and shot a 58/51 low gross/net score on the par-72 course.

Playing for Innovative Food Service were John White, Bill Qualls, Todd Bowering and Mike Thurmer. Their low net score was 50. Bank of Franklin's team consisted of Larry Hill, Bart Jones, Rob Smith and Randy Martin who shot a 57 low gross score.

Cameron Smith and Billy Crozier won longest drive and closest to the hole respectively. Steve McBride, of IKON Office Solutions in Brookhaven, won longest putt honors.

NLC receives major funding

The 1997 Natchez Literary Celebration received major funding again this year, with the largest grant for the eighth year in a row from the Mississippi Humanities Council, Jackson.

The MHC also honored the Celebration at a special luncheon in Jackson in the spring, at which founder and co-chairman Carolyn Vance Smith presented a short program.

This year's MHC grant is $12,500. These funds, from the National Endowment for the Humanities, will be used to help pay lecture fees and travel expenses of about a dozen authors and scholars on the program.

The Olympic Award-winning conference will take place May 29-31, 1997, using the theme, "Famous Southern Families in Fiction and in Fact." Headquarters will be The Natchez Eola Hotel. Co-sponsors are Copiah-Lincoln Community College, the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and the National Park Service.

In addition to the MHC grant, other funding has also been received, says fundraising committee chairman Christy Williams. "The MHC grant requires a cash match," she said, "so gifts of any amount are very much appreciated." Givers are as follows: City of Natchez, Adams County Board of Supervisors, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Kaiser Jr., Concordia Bank and Trust Co., Rotary Club of Natchez, International Paper Foundation, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Durkin, Everette Truly, Leonore M. O'Malley, Miss-Lou Vending, Inc., Dr. and Mrs. John D. W. Guice, Dr. Sidney O. Graves, Martin Nathanson, Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stubbs, Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Kuehnle; BellSouth, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Winter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bertolet, Mr. and Mrs. Sim C. Callon, Callon Petroleum, Silas Simmons & Co., Pooter Garcia Management; Dr. Robert and Dr. Bettina Barnes, Kelly's Kids, Inc.; Entergy, Dr. and Mrs. Randy Tillman and Lady Luck Mississippi Inc., Natchez Newspapers, Depoist Guaranty Bank, Eastern National Park and Monument Association, Britton & Koontz First National Bank, Natchez Regional Medical Center, Mr. and Mrs. H.I. Stahlman III, United Mississippi Bank.

Dr. Billy Thames congratulates Bobby Britt upon his induction as president of the Mississippi Community/Junior College Inter-Alumni Association. (Photo by Burlian Walker)

Work-based learning provides key to future

In 1994, the Mississippi Department of Education, in cooperation with the Mississippi Manufacturers Association, convened with a group of key stakeholders. The purpose of the meeting was to address the relevance of vocational-technical education training programs in meeting the needs of business/industry. Findings and recommendations from this meeting led to the establishment of a program entitled Work-Based Learning. This program blends classroom instruction (occupational/academic), and structured learning experiences at the work-site.

Work-Based Learning prepares students for current and future careers in, a highly technical workplace by bridging the gap between school and the workplace, providing structured entry for students through educationally sound, occupationally specific, and industry-driven learning programs; and providing a vehicle for industry to become a contributing partner in reshaping education within a local community.

The program is built on a foundation of three core elements: school-based learning (classroom instruction based on high academic and occupational skill standards), work-based learning (work experiences, structured training, and mentoring at job sites), and connecting activities (developing courses that integrate classroom and on-the-job instruction, matching students with participating employers, training job site mentors, and building and maintaining bridges between school and work).

The mission of the Work-Based Learning Program at Co-Lin is to have all of the stakeholders benefit from the program:

- Students have more opportunities for good jobs after graduation, obtain actual work experience while going to school, develop potential contacts that may broaden employment options, boost self-confidence and experience success at school and work, and get personal assistance in attaining education and career goals.
- Employers gain access to an expanded pool of qualified applicants, influence curriculum development to meet industry requirements, evaluate potential employees in work settings prior to hiring, and improve the quality of life in the community.
- Instructors increase college placement and employment rates of graduates, participate in improved opportunities for professional development, integrate technical instruction with actual work and life experiences, reduce dropout rates, improve attendance and increase enrollment, and come to better understand real-world applications of technical knowledge.
- Government and community-based groups participate in the development of a skilled workforce, enhance the employability of students, and stimulate local economic growth through an expanded skilled workforce and taxpayer base.

Co-Lin vocational-technical students are eligible for the Work-Based Learning Program based on their grades, attitude towards work, and recommendations from their instructors. They work as paid student trainees in industries for at least 15 hours a week and receive college credit for their work experiences as well. As part of the school-based component, they receive instruction in a Work-Based Learning curriculum which is directly related to the findings from the U. S. Department of Labor's Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS). Instruction includes working in teams solving problems, and meeting employer expectations.

According to Ellen Martin, Co-Lin's Work-Based Learning Coordinator, Mississippi's students will see a bright light at the end of the tunnel when they enter the Work-Based Learning Program. They are able to see a direct connection between what they are learning in the classroom and what they will be doing after graduation. "This program will certainly change the student's perspective about the importance of classroom instruction," says Martin. "The State Department of Education views Work-Based Learning as the quality management system for technology education.

Hundreds attend '96 homecoming

Alumni came from across the state from eleven other states to attend ›iah-Lincoln Community College's ual homecoming festivities.

Alumni registered from Florida, nessee, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mary-l, California, Texas, Virginia, Ala-a, Michigan, and Georgia. "There e many, many others who did not ster," states Burlian Walker, Execu- Director Foundation/Alumni Af-s/Public Relations.

James and Margaret Harris of ıoldswich, England, attended the nni luncheon and witnessed their football game ever. They were sts of Attorney and Mrs. Michael B. it of Brookhaven.

Bradley Smith of Wesson was ted president of the alumni associa-, with Danny Moseley of Magee se-ed vice-president, and Susan Buckley y of Newhebron re-elected secre-.

mnus of the Year honors were pre-ed to Michael McIntyre of Wesson Lynn Scott LeBeau of Crystal ngs.

Outstanding Instructors of the Year rds were given to Alita Myers for academics and Ellen Martin for vocational-technical. The alumni association presented a plaque and a $250 grant to each.

Selected to head the Athletic Alumni Association were Alton Greenlee of Wesson, president; Tim Waldon of Brandon, vice-president; and Chesley Boggan of Yellville, Ark., secretary.

Inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame were Garland Brown of Bogue Chitto; the late F.J. Dickey of Magee; the late George Gulledge of Natchez; Michael Jones of Clinton; and Bennie Kimble of Goodman.

Selected to head the GOLD Club (Graduates of the Last Decade) Club are Stacey Reid Duke of Jackson, president; Sam Hathorn of Monticello, vice-president; and Ann McLean Jackson of Madison, secretary.

The oldest alumnus attending the alumni luncheon was Jimmy Lee Smith, 94, of Wesson. Traveling the farthest to attend a reunion was Lorea Walker Rollins of Victorville, Calif. Bennie Kimble's 12 family members was the largest family attending the luncheon.

Sixteen streets and facilities were officially named in special ceremonies, including the Lester Furr Drive, Grover Smith, Lane, J. C. Redd Drive, Ike Allen Circle, Shelby Pitts Drive, Hillary Hallum Circle, H. F. McCarty Drive, Hodges Lane, John R. Landess Circle, R. L. Landis Circle, B. F. Hunter Learning Center, James M. Lewis Math/Language Lab, Fred E. Thompson Bookstore, "Chunkin" Charlie Ward Practice Football Field, Alton Greenlee Pro Shop, and Frank Oswalt Nature Trail.

Ray Ishee, dean of student services, was inducted into the National Junior College Athletic Association's Coaches Hall of Fame during halftime of the Co-Lin Pearl River game.

Homecoming queen Kristen Horton of Magee and her court were presented prior to the game.

Walker said, "The crowds, as usual, were large this year, especially during the reunions, the luncheon, and other activities."

Reunions were held for the Classes of 1936, 1946, 1956, 1966, 1976, and 1986; the high school classes of 1941, 1951, and 1966; the 1966 basketball team; the 1986 football team; and the 854th Medical Collecting Company, which was activated during the Korean War.

Co-Lin/Natchez faculty, staff stay involved

Faculty and staff at Copiah-Lin-ı Community College in Natchez e recently received awards and nded professional development vities.

Counselor Josie Gilchrist-Anderson ived the W.S. Scott Civic Award at Natchez Business and Civic League ebruary for her efforts in non-profit k for the good of the Natchez Com-ıity.

Attending a recent Graphing Cal-ıtor Workshop in Vicksburg were hematics instructors Janice Byrne Joan Jones. Funded by the Missis-ɔi State Board for Institutions of her Learning, the workshop was anized by Dr. Ravinder Kumar, ector of the Alcorn State Univer- Mathematics Teacher Enhancement Project.

• Sue Saviono, coordinator of Continuing Education/Special Interest program, established an Institute for Learning in Retirement at the Natchez campus this year. President of the group is Roy Winkworth, a member of the Co-Lin Board of Trustees. Activities include such classes as computer science and Natchez history and social events and field trips.

• Carolyn Vance Smith, Site Coordinator of Co-Lin's highly successful Elderhostel program in Natchez, became State Director of Elderhostel in September, overseeing 16 sites around the state. Pat Cater, secretary to Dean Paul Johnson and longtime assistant coordinator of Elderhostel, became Site Coordinator. Plans are for the Natchez program to attain Supersite status this year with more than 20 program weeks.

• Instructor of Spanish Linda Flynn of Copiah-Lincoln Community College in Natchez regularly help others in the field of high-tech learning. In late January she was a presenter at a conference called "Creating Futures Through Technology" in Bioloxi, sponsored by the Mississippi State Board for Institutions of Higher Learning and the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges. The session helped prepare instructors for presenting classes utilizing compressed video.

Announced at this meeting is a workshop, "Technology Training for Teachers," to be presented three times within the next year over the Community College Network.

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Barry Tyson, alumni president, presented Alumni of the Year Awards to Mrs. Lynn Scott LeBeau and Mike McIntyre

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The naming of certain buildings and streets.

Oldest alumnus present, Jimmy Lee Smith

Traveling farthest, Lorea W. Rollins, Victorville, CA.

Members of Natchez High School's Junior ROTC program begin raising the American Flag on the new flagpole at the Natchez campus during the dedication ceremony.

Neal Ravenhorst, former business manager at Co-Lin's Natchez campus, returned August 12 to help with registration. More than 700 full- and part-time students have registered for fall semester.

Donnie Verucchi, commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9573 in Natchez, addresses individuals who gathered to help dedicate the flagpole outside the Natchez campus administration building on August 25.

Natchez campus begins busy year

The Natchez campus has been exceedingly busy over the last few months, with a new dean — Dr. Ronald E. Nettles — as well as a variety of new staff members.

In July, Dr. Nettles moved from the Wesson campus, where he served as director of community and economic development, to dean of the Natchez campus, replacing Dr. Paul Johnson, now dean of Co-Lin.

Other new Natchez campus full-time staff to come on board were: Monica Good Cross, business manager; Mark LaFrancis, director of public information; Barbara Haigh, English instructor; Willie Sproulls, Job Training Partnership Act truck driving instructor, and Mark Richardson, security officer. All are local residents.

In addition, more than 700 full- and part-time students registered for fall classes. While the enrollment did not exceed last year's fall registration of 748, the number of "traditional" students increased.

Campus administration and professional staff will analyze the enrollment data and determine what trends the campus demographics show.

On Aug. 25, under bright, sunny skies, the campus hosted a formal flagpole dedication ceremony.

Having an official flagpole was a project begun several years ago and, with the cooperation of local industries and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9573 in Natchez, the project became a reality this year.

Dr. Howell Garner, Co-Lin president, and Dr. Johnson, attended. About a dozen local veterans viewed and participated in the ceremony, which included a formal flag-raising by Junior ROTC cadets from Natchez High School.

Over the summer, Co-Lin Natchez conducted two graduation ceremonies, both in the Vocational-Technical Division — one for practical nurses and the other for industrial trainees.

In July, Tracy Floyd, an office systems technology major, place seventh in the nation in the annual Phi Beta Lambda Inc. work processing competition, held in Anaheim, Calif. She was accompanied by her instructor Mariea Torrey. Floyd represented Mississippi at the convention, which brought together more than 1,700 other Phi Beta Lambda student competitors.

Hodges Scholarship established by alumnus

The late Dr. Modena Peterson of Texas, a graduate of Copiah-Lincoln Community College and perhaps Co-Lin's oldest alumnus at the time of her death, 98, has established a scholarship in memory of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Hodges of Wesson. The scholarship was established through her will.

The scholarship shall be awarded annually to one or more qualified candidates to support their attendance at Co-Lin or any other college or university of their choice for study leading toward a medical degree. The annual award to any one student cannot exceed $500.

Selection of a recipient will be made by the college's Scholarship Selection Committee, based on need, enrollment in a medical curriculum, and a minimum 3.0 grade point average. The recipient must also demonstrate a desire to better himself or herself.

In her will, Dr. Peterson also stimulated that a candidate who has received a scholarship under this fund shall subsequently be a preferred candidate until the selection committee determines that the candidate completes his or her academic program, ceases to make reasonable progress toward the completion academic program, or ceases to be regularly enrolled as a full-time student.

Ann Hawkins, director of the foundation at Co-Lin, said "We are grateful to Dr. Peterson for her generosity in remembering her parents and so fondly remembering her alma mater in this manner. The scholarship will help students for many, many years.

Kristi Earles, a 1994 Co-Lin graduate, was crowned Mississippi's Miss Hospitality for 1996. A graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, Kristi, a native of Magee, is employed by the Simpson County School System in the Magee Elementary Schools.

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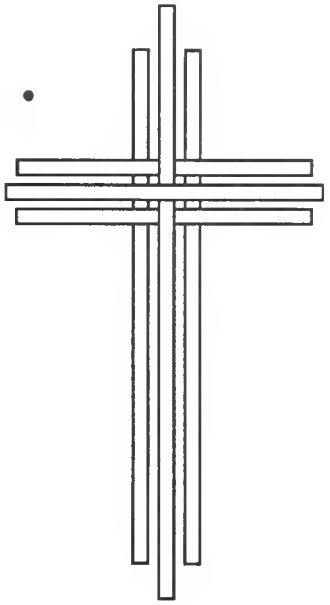

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Keeping Up With Alumni

Fred Taylor, High School Class of 1926 and an Athletic Hall of Fame member, is retired and looking forward to age 90. He enjoys everyday of his life.

Stacey Reid Duke, Class of 1986, married Raymond Duke of Brandon on June 1, 1996. She works as chapter programs coordinator for Phi Theta Kappa international headquarters in Jackson.

Sara Conerly Bruce, Class of 1949, and her husband, Maxie Bruce Sr., reside at Mendenhall where he was designated as the 1997 Mississippi Father of the Year. A survivor of multiple sclerosis for 23 years, he competed for the national Father of the Year title.

Mary Dees Primos, Class of 1973, is national sales manager of SFX Broadcasting in Jackson for stations WMSI, WJDX, WSTZ, WKTF, and WJDS sports radio.

Jim Cranfield, Class of 1993, graduated from USM last August with a B.S. in mathematics. He works for the Navy at the Stennis Space Center on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Kenneth Gilbert, Class of 1979, is manager of Louisiana Nursery, Home and Garden Showplace, one of the South's largest retail garden centers in Baton Rouge. He is a member of the Apollo Mardis Gras Krewe.

Wayne May, Class of 1987, is employed by the U.S. Embassy in Frankfort, Germany.

Earline Dees Watson, High School Class of 1941, lives in a retirement-recreation area near Solomons Island, Md. She's been a widow for two years.

Reagan L. Brown, Class of 1990, and Malinda Sistrunk Brown, Class of 1993, were married November 23, 1996 at Florence Assembly of God in Florence, MS.

They are members of Harmony Baptist Church in Crystal Springs. There, Reagan is chairman of the Sr. High Youth Committee, 7th-9th grad Discipleship Training teacher, Youth Boys Sunday school assistant teacher and an active deacon. Malinda teaches the 1st. grade girls' Sunday School class, is a member of the choir and a youth volunteer.

Reagan is also a member of the Advisory Committee for Van Winkle Home Health Care of Hazlehurst. Malinda is a Habitat for Humanity and Corporate Community Service volunteer.

Reagan is currently a pharmacist at City Drugs of Crystal Springs. Malinda is assistant to the Directors of Quality and Marketing Services at Stuart C. Irby Co. of Jackson.

They have a home in Byram.

Jessie L. Smith, Class of 1940, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and his wife celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June, 1996.

Tabitha Lynn Thetford Smith, Class of 1986, was recently promoted to "Senior Administrative Assistant" at the Light Hydrocarbons II Plant within the Dow Chemical Company.

Martha Green Matthews, Class of 1953, announces the birth of her first grandchild, Parker James, born to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Oubre of New Orleans last November 4.

John Peter Pouncey, Class of 1948, and his wife, Eloyse, celebrated their golden anniversary on March 15, 1997.

Bonnie H. Hearn, Class of 1937, says she reads every word and rejoices when she compares Co-Lin with 60 years ago when she graduated. All four of her children came to Co-Lin — Charles Dale Nelson, a member of the Hall of Fame, Miles Patrick Nelson, Melanie Nelson Sykes, and Milan Nelson. "We are all very glad to say we went to Co-Lin ..." She said her class of 1937 named the yearbook, The Co-Lin Trillium.

Jearl Sasser, Class of 1966, was recently promoted to operations manager of Aristech Chemical as senior plant manager. He lives in Huntington, W.Va.

Clay Clanton, Class of 1994, graduated with a B.S. from the School of Pharmacy at Ole Miss in 1997.

Harriet Burgess Myers, High School Class of 1961 and Class of 1962, was named by the State Department of Education as Outstanding Administrator of the Year for the Second Congressional District and one of five finalists for the state award. She presently serves as principal of Pearman Elementary School, the first school in Mississippi to be accepted as part of the National Accelerated Schools Program, a national educational reform movement.

Virginia Dare Page Boardman, Class of 1966, retired after 28 1/2 years teaching at Enterprise School District in Clarke County. She obtained a B.S. in Elementary Education from Mississippi College. She and her husband, W.B. Boardman, a retired railroad worker, are parents of three children, all of whom are college graduates, and they have two grandchildren.

Preston Gordon, Class of 1988, and his wife, Kim, an ADN nursing instructor at Co-Lin who just completed her master's degree in nursing, live in Summit.

Kevin Prince, Class of 1987, and wife, Lynn Jarrett Prince, Class of 1988, live in Atlanta and have a three-year old son, Jarrett. Kevin works as a sales rep

for Transport International Pool and Lynn is an accountant with the U.S. Forest Service.

George L. Coaker, P.O. Box 932, Gulf Shores, Ala. 36547, would like to hear from anyone who was at Co-Lin when he was a student here in September 1940 to May 1941. He was then in World War II for 50 months and was on the U.S.S. Hornet, an aircraft carrier, when it was sunk October 26, 1942. Coaker graduated from Ohio Northern University in 1948 with a B.S. in Pharmacy. He worked for Eli Lilly and Company for 32 years as district manager. He retired in 1979. Coaker played baseball at Co-Lin.

Ray Reynolds, Class of 1962, retired as county agent in Franklin County in February.

Wayne Harris, Class of 1976, administrator of the Simpson General Hospital in Mendenhall, has been selected to serve on the Mississippi Hospital Association Board of Directors. He resides in Harrisville. Harris received his bachelor's degree in nursing from USM. He is active in numerous professional organizations.

Nita Faye Smith Lutter, Class of 1953, and her husband, Fred, bought a travel trailer in June and are traveling across the US enjoying the great outdoor life. Future plans include Canada and a land tour of Alaska.

Jane Bell Dykes, Class of 1960, is now a grandmother. Daughter Elizabeth Dykes Post, Class of 1984, (Mr. and Mrs. Jim Post of Madison) became the parents of Olivia Elizabeth Post on June 17, 1997. She weighed 8 lbs. 15 1/2 ozs.

Eddie L. Hennington, High School Class of 1952, is now retired and living in Brookhaven. His wife, Shirley White Hennington, was in Co-Lin class of 1985.

Chesley and Joyce Smith Boggan, Class of 1967, are expecting their second grandchild in December. Joyce is now a counselor at Yellville-Summit High School in Arkansas.

Jeffrey and Stacy Emfinger, Class of 1992, married in August, 1994. Jeff graduated from MSU in 1995 with a degree in electrical engineering and Stacy graduated from MSU in 1996 with a degree in child development. They presently live in Brookhaven.

Dr. Dianne Smith Watson, Class of 1989 and a member of the Hall of Fame, and her husband, Dr. Bob Watson, plan to move to Brookhaven and open their own veterinary hospital. They hope to open Brookhaven Animal Hospital in the spring of 1998.

Elma Seay Williams, Class of 1954, became a great grandmother on May 9 when Benjamin Mathison Goar was born. Her husband, Tut Williams, died December 21, 1996, and was mayor of Prentiss at the time.

Elizabeth Smith Stormo, Class of 1944, announces the birth of two great grandchildren, Charles Patton Davis III, born March 5, and Laken Alexandria Stormo, born June 30.

Amy Alexander Shelley, Class of 1987, and her husband Chris live in Thomasville, Ala., where she works as a speech pathologist for The Thomasville City Schools.

Dr. Russell Burns, a Brookhaven native and a Co-Lin graduate, has been appointed to a five-year term on the Mississippi Library Commission Board of Commissioners, by Governor Kirk Fordice.

A retired dentist, he has been an active member of the Trustee Section of the Mississippi Library Association over 25 years. As trustee, he served as section chairman and was a delegate to the 1991 White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services. He is currently a member of the Lincoln County Public Library Board of Trustees.

Gayle Anders, Class of 1985, recently was recognized for volunteering to be a member of the Mississippi Methodist Rehabilitation Center's Spirit Team (MMRC). As a Spirit Team member, Gayle will serve the southern area of the state, promoting hope and encouragement to the newly spinal cord injured. However, she is still employed as a counselor for Vocational Rehabilitation and serves five counties.

Attending Memorial Day Ceremonies on the Wesson campus were (left to right) Mrs. Lizzie Sartin, Paul White, Robert Sanders, Charles Langley, Jack Bass, Earl Stringer, Dr. Billy Thames, Buddy Beall, and Jack Thomas. A group of approximately 50 attended.

1996 Homecoming

CLASS OF 1936 *- Front row (left to right) Nellie Laird Case, Brookhaven; Lorena Wentworth Dean; Maurine Thurman Cole; and Mable Lofton Stancil. Back row (left to right) Winnie Russell Hill, Meridian; Harry Cole and Wilma Walker Cole, both of Brookhaven.*

1941 HIGH SCHOOL CLASS *- Left to right Frank Stevens, Mobile Area; Julius Summer, Brookhaven; Merle Swilley Furlow, Wesson; Sara Summer, Jackson; Jack Decell, Baytown, Texas; Dorothy Kambach Jordan, Brookhaven; Lorae Walker Rollins, Victorville, CA; Mayme Foster Prevost, Hazlehurst; Earline Deer Watson, Busby, Maryland; and Margaret Foster Kennedy, Lake Charles, La.*

1946 CLASS *- Front row (left to right) Betty Tillman Maxwell, Brookhaven; Anna Ruth Allen Peets, Wesson; and Ethel Mae Smith Britt, Brookhaven. Back row (left to right) Nita Faye Ferguson Prestridge, Brookhaven; Dr. Russell Burns, Brookhaven; and Lavelle Ratliff Douglas, Brookhaven.*

1951 HIGH SCHOOL CLASS *- Front row (left to right) Hal Ellis, Virginia Beach, VA; Keith Cowart, Van Cleave; Joel Munson Smith, Ponchatoula, La.; Floyd White, Baton Rouge, La.; Bobby Gordon Smith, Oakdale, La.; and Agnes Weeks Ratliff, Wesson. Back row (left to right) Carolyn Graham, Wesson; Coach Troy Ricks, Raymond; Mrs. Troy Ricks, Raymond; Ralph Brewer, Brandon; Willie Fred Watson, Holcomb; Martha Green Matthews, Crystal Springs; and Nancy Cagle Durr, Fredericksburg, TX.*

1956 CLASS *- Left to Right - Jim Kyzar, Wesson; Glynn Hadsky, Baton Rouge, LA; Bobby Troy Templeton, Hazlehurst; Donald Comfort, Hazlehurst; June Shoemaker Mangum Starnes, Mendenhall; Billy Thornton, Hazlehurst; Donna Keenan Purvis, Brandon; Patsy Mullican Finley, Mendenhall; and Marie Thornton Farmer, Hazlehurst.*

1966 HIGH SCHOOL CLASS *- Seated (left to right) Dorcus Turnbo Kennedy, Wesson; Melnee Kay Clopton Frazier, Wesson; Clifford Britt, Wesson; and Randy Ashley, Jackson. Standing (left to right) Roger Dale Smith, Beauregard; Walter Bell, Stronghope; Russell Guymon, Jackson; and James Harris, Wesson. Attending but not pictured were Rachel Lewis Freeman, Wanda Pettigrew Smith, Martha Hunter Morrow, David Derrick, and Moody Davis.*

1966 CLASS *- First row (left to right) Marie May Lofton, Natchez; Mary Nell Hall West, Laurel, Patsy Higdon Simonson, Brandon, Tom Clark, Petal, Jack Warren, Jena, La.; and Gail Lofton DeBlanc, Jackson, La. Second row (left to right) Carolyn Calcote Smith, Brookhaven; Diann Beeson Berry, New Hebron; Charlotte Ready Carter, Monticello; Doreen Case Borgmann, Pearl River, La.; Sue Burris Lea, Wesson; Elizabeth Denison Dickson, Monticello; Carolyn Hart Clark, Petal; and Danny Dykes, Brookhaven. Third row (left to right) Michael Posey, Brookhaven; Patricia Case Posey, Brookhaven; Gerald Wiggington, New Hebron; Joyce Smith Boggan, Yellville, AR; Sherra Crawford Smith, Brookhaven; Georgia Ables Myers, Brookhaven; David Halle, Jackson; and Ralph Turnbo, Wesson. Attending but not pictured were Ginger Harper McCarty, Clinton and Ronnie Smith, Brookhaven.*

Alumni officers Bradley Smith, president, and Susan Berry, secretary. Not pictured is Danny Moseley, vice president.

1966 BASKETBALL TEAM - *Standing (left to right) Alton Ricks, Wesson; Jappy Burgess, Wesson; Chesley Boggan, Yellville, AR; and Ronnie Smith, Brookhaven. Sitting (left to right) Felder Reid and Richard Wright, Brookhaven.*

1986 FOOTBALL TEAM - *Top row (left to right) Coach Ray Ishee, Wesson; Scottie Moore, Crystal Springs; Kevin Keys, New Orleans, LA; Paul Hux, Brookhaven; Edward Benson, Brookhaven; Danny Hobbs,Mendenhall; Lonnie Layton, Birmingham, AL; and Coach Bob Ricketts, Hazlehurst. Bottom row (left to right) Tim Brown, Jackson; Calvin Womack, Mendenhall; Billy Hubbard, Magee; and Bobby Johnson, Mendenhall.*

1986 CLASS - *Front (left to right) Sam Hathorn, Monticello; Stacey Reid Duke, Brandon; and Ricky Baker, Brookhaven. Standing (left to right) John Pace, Magee; Barry Tyson, Bude; and Levonne Hamilton, Ridgeland.*

1976 CLASS - *Front row (left to right) Joye Cooper Jones, Ridgeland and Kathy Berry Dugas, Raymond. Back row (left to right) Shelley Summers, Brookhaven; and Bill Sumrall, Ferriday, La.*

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